Anew America Community Corporation Berkeley, CA

Project Title Step UP! IDA Program

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AFI Grant Amount \$96,353

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Project Period September 2002 – September 2007

AnewAmerica is expanding its existing AFI-supported **Highlights**

> IDA microenterprise program to offer 68 new IDAs to recent immigrants for homeownership, microenterprise, or post-secondary education. The match rate is \$2 to \$1, up to \$3,000 in participant savings over 24 months. Financial literacy training is provided in the native language of participants, as needed. In addition to core training, examples of additional services include counseling, crisis management, peer support, mentoring, credit repair, and

advanced financial education.

Target Population New low-income immigrants, primarily Latino and

> Vietnamese, who are eligible for TANF and located in the San Francisco Bay Area of California, primarily Alameda County and the Enhanced Enterprise Community of

Oakland.

Grantee/Collaborative Description AnewAmerica Community Corporation is a nonprofit

microenterprise development organization. The Step UP! IDA Program is being integrated with a Job Opportunities for Low Income (JOLI)-funded microenterprise training program, which offers business training, technical assistance, coaching and mentoring, social responsibility,

and access to micro-loans. AnewAmerica is partnering

with Washington Mutual Bank.